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OF THE TOWN OF

STRATHAM

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31

1957

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TOWN OFFICERS

Supervisors of the Checklist

Donald L. Barker

Daniel O'Brien

Olive Calef

Moderator

George C. Jewell

Town Clerk

*Mary R. Tuck

Tax Collector

*Ralph D. Parkman

Selectmen

*Robert T. Wiggin

Robert L. Elmore

John A. Hutton Jr.

Treasurer

*Leslie C. Scammon

Trustees of the Trust Funds

*Ralph D. Parkman

Walter H. Pease

John A. Hutton Jr.

Library Trustees

*Annie W. Scammon

Helen L. Gowen

John R. Gifford

Auditors

James Scamman

Francis Wiggin

Highway Agent

Robert T. Wiggin — acting agent

Police

Forrest P. Wentworth

Robert S. Berry

Richard Scamman

Board of Health

Henry Saltonstall

Fire Chief

Robert T. Wiggin

* Term Expires

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L. S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Lower Town Hall in said Stratham on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate two hundred thirty seven dollars and eighty eight cents (\$237.88) against the State's fifteen hundred eighty five dollars and eighty eight cents (\$1,585.88) for State Aid Construction.

4. To see if the town will vote to allow one percent discount on such property taxes as are paid by August 15th, or within thirty days from the day upon which the collector receives his warrant, whichever is later; the date to be printed on the tax bills.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Planning Board to approve or disapprove, in its discretion, plans showing new streets or the widening thereof, or parks, and upon adoption of this article, it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk to file with the

Registry of Deeds of the County of Rockingham, a certificate or note showing that the said Planning Board has been so authorized, giving the date of authorization, as provided in Sections 19-29 inclusive, Chapter 36 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955.

6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt as a town ordinance, for the protection of the clams and oysters within the town limits, the Regulations for the Taking and Possessing of Clams, Clam Worms, and Oysters, promulgated as of February 1, 1958, by the Director of the Fish and Game Department; including the ten dollars penalty for any violation thereof, and all other provisions as therein more fully setforth; and to delegate to the said Director and the officers of the Fish and Game Department the authority to enforce said ordinance and regulations in the Town's behalf within the Town limits; such ordinance to remain effective until these regulations are changed or superseded by the Director of the Fish and Game Department.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to remove obstructions and to make improvements on River Road.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to complete the repairs necessary from fire damage to the Town Hall.

9. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to purchase a new fire truck, said sum to be raised by the sale of the Town's notes or bonds, the same to be paid over a period of not more than 5 years; matters of form, rates of interest, dates of issue and date of payment to be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salary of the Town Treasurer from \$125 to \$200 per year.

11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

(The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the Lower Town Hall to elect Town Officers; discussion and action on the articles in the warrant at 8:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.)

Given under our hands and seal this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.,

ROBERT T. WIGGIN,

ROBERT L. ELMORE,

Selectmen of Stratham

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.,

ROBERT T. WIGGIN,

ROBERT L. ELMORE,

Selectmen of Stratham

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958 Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1957	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1957	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1958
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$3,266.27	\$4,373.09	\$4,373.09
Railroad Tax	29.93		
Savings Bank Tax	177.87	390.99	390.99
Head Tax		14.00	
For Fighting Forest Fires		92.15	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Asst.		189.30	
Comm. Public Works		1.00	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	340.00	397.20	350.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	5.00	7.00	10.00
Rent of Town Hall & Other Buildings	50.00	68.50	50.00
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	373.66	432.52	450.00
Income from Trust Funds	350.00		500.00
Income of Departments:			
Highway, including rental of equip.	200.00	202.75	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,827.20	5,078.24	5,100.00
Sale of Town Property		35.00	
Insurance Dividends		24.18	
Eastern States		2.08	
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
Short Term		10,000.00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	700.00	557.60	600.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	12.50		12.50
(c) Yield Taxes	200.00	493.23	395.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES			
EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	\$10,532.43	\$22,358.83	\$12,431.58
AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES			\$78,139.61
TOTAL REVENUES			
			\$90,571.19

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Approp. Previous Year 1957	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1957	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1958
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,300.00	\$2,457.12	\$2,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	1,307.52	1,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	100.00	49.75	200.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	800.00	923.98	800.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	150.00	300.00	300.00
Fire Department	700.00	647.74	700.00
Insurance	575.00	616.60	575.00
Health:			
Vital Statistics	37.00	31.50	35.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	350.00	346.75	450.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	6,000.00	5,693.58	5,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	3,000.00	2,096.60	3,000.00
Street Lighting	630.00	631.97	630.00
Libraries	500.00	544.67	500.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200.00	201.50	200.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	1,573.64	1,500.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veteran's Asso.	75.00	79.80	75.00
Recreation:			
Parks & Playgrounds, Incl. Band Concerts	800.00	515.13	300.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	100.00	105.00	100.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and Legal Expenses	150.00	237.30	150.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	50.00	63.89	50.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	175.00	77.50	75.00
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Note in Anticipation of Taxes		10,000.00	
Long Term Notes		1,794.01	
County Taxes	4,265.63	3,703.84	3,703.84
School Taxes	60,033.72	34,043.98	68,627.35
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$84,091.35	\$68,143.37	\$90,571.19

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE

Town Officers Salaries	\$2,500.00
Town Officers Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration	200.00
Town Hall	800.00
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	700.00
Insurance	575.00
Vital Statistics	35.00
Summer Roads	5,000.00 4000
Winter Roads	3,000.00
Town Dump	450.00
Library	500.00
Town Poor	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Parks and Playgrounds	300.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Legal Expenses and Dog Damage	150.00
Seacoast Regional	100.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	50.00
Interest on Long Term Loans	75.00
Memorial Day	75.00
Street Lighting	630.00
County Tax	3,703.84
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	\$21,943.84

Walter A. Scamman

Pauline F. Scammon

Robert T. Wiggin

John A. Hutton Jr.

Katherine S. Peabody

Robert L. Elmore

Leo H. Senechol

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Lands and Buildings	\$1,208,810.00
Mill Buildings, Land and Machinery	10,000.00
Electric Plants	140,300.00
Petroleum and Gas Transmission Lines	15,000.00
Stock in Trade	39,650.00
Boats and Lauches	400.00
Horses, Asses and Mules, 52	2,575.00
Cows, 496	37,400.00
Oxen, 20	1,000.00
Sheep and Goats, 52	520.00
Fowls, 28,690	21,517.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	600.00
Portable Mills—Road Building, Repairing and Well Drilling Machinery	5,000.00
Fur-bearing Animals and Rabbits, 21	210.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	2,400.00

Total Gross Valuation before Exemptions Allowed	\$1,485,382.00
Less: Veterans' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind	41,000.00

Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$1,444,382.00
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ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITY COMPANIES

Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.

Electric Plant	\$41,300.00
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N. H. Electric Co.

Electric Plant	25,000.00
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Public Service Co. of N. H.

Electric Plant	74,000.00
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\$140,300.00

Granite State Gas Trans. Co.

Gas Plant

\$15,000.00

\$15,000.00

Amount of property valuation

exempted to veterans, 41

\$41,000.00

Number of inventories distributed

330

Number of inventories returned

125

Number of veterans who received
property exemption

41

Number of veterans exempted from poll tax

75

ROBERT T. WIGGIN,

ROBERT L. ELMORE,

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.,

Selectmen of Stratham

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED
For The Year 1957

Appropriations:

Town Officers Salaries	\$2,000.00	
Town Officers Expenses	1,000.00	
Election and Registration Expenses	100.00	
Town Hall and Building Maint.	800.00	
Police Department	150.00	
Fire Department	700.00	
Dump and Garbage Collection	350.00	
Vital Statistics	37.00	
State Aid Construction	191.81	
Town Maintenance	9,000.00	
Insurance	575.00	
Street Lighting	630.00	
Libraries	500.00	
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	
Public Relief	200.00	
Memorial Day	75.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	400.00	
Cemeteries	100.00	
Damages and Legal Expenses		
Including Dog Damages	150.00	
Advertising and Regional Assoc.	100.00	
Payment on Debt	225.00	
County Tax	3,703.84	
School Tax	60,183.36	
Town Boundaries	250.00	
Raise for Selectmen	300.00	
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Total Town and School Appropriations		\$83,721.01

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$4,373.09	
Railroad Tax	29.93	
Savings Bank Tax	177.87	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	300.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,827.20	
Dog Licenses	340.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	5.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equip.	250.00	
Int. on Taxes and Income from Trust Funds	723.66	
Total Revenues and Credits		\$11,026.75
		\$72,694.26
Plus Overlay		337.34
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		\$73,031.60
Less:		
400 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	\$800.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	12.50	
		812.50
Amount to be raised by property taxes		\$72,219.10
Taxes to be Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes		\$72,219.10
Poll Taxes at \$2.00		800.00
National Bank Stock Taxes		12.50
Total Taxes to be committed		\$73,031.60
Tax Rate \$5.00 per \$100.00		

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1957

Net Balance of Appropriations

FINANCIAL REPORT
of the
TOWN OF STRATHAM
in
Rockingham County
for the
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1957

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

February 14, 1958.

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.
ROBERT T. WIGGIN,
ROBERT L. ELMORE,

Selectmen

LESLIE C. SCAMMON,
Treasurer

Town of Stratham

BALANCE

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$32,673.64
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Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1956	\$179.69
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Levy of 1955	95.61
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Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1957	\$18,078.40
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Levy of 1956	4.00
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State Head Taxes—Levy of 1957	685.00
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State Head Taxes—Prev. Years	10.00
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Total Assets	<hr/> \$51,726.34
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Net—Surplus, Dec. 31, 1956	\$9,854.44
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Net—Surplus, Dec. 31, 1957	4,158.24
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Decrease of Surplus	\$5,696.20
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December 31, 1957

SHEET

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Bills outstanding \$125.00

Unexpended Balances of Special Approp:

Highway Garage 42.00

Town Boundary Const. 250.00

Equipment 586.91

Due to State:

State Head Taxes—1957

Uncollected \$695.00

Collected, not remitted
to State Treas. 120.00

\$815.00

Yield Tax—Bond & Debt Retirement

Uncollected \$66.15

\$66.15

Due to School Districts:

Balance of Appropriation \$41,110.54

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

T. R. A. \$4,572.50

Total Liabilities \$47,568.10

Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus) \$4,158.24

Grand Total \$51,726.34

Town of Stratham

UNIFORM
RECEIPTS AND

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Prop. taxes—Cur. Year—1957	\$55,653.62
Poll Taxes—Cur. Year—1957	556.00
Nat. Bank Stock Taxes—1957	12.50
State Head Taxes @ \$5—1957	1,710.00

Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	\$57,932.12
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Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years	14,489.30
Poll Taxes—Prev. Years	212.00
State Head Taxes @ \$5 — Previous Years	615.00
Interest received on Taxes	437.83
Penalties on State Head Taxes	69.00
Tax sales redeemed	196.06

From State:

For Town Road Aid	1,278.71
Com. Public Works & Highways	1.00
Interest & Dividends tax	4,373.09
Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	390.99
Fighting forest fires & others	92.15
Reimbursement State Head Tax	14.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	189.30

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	397.20
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	7.00

CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 1957

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officer's salaries	\$2,457.12
Town officer's expenses	1,307.52
Election & reg. expenses	49.75
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	923.98

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	300.00
Fire department, including forest fires	647.74
Insurance	616.60

Health:

Vital statistics	31.50
Town dumps & garbage removal	346.75

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance:

Summer	\$5,693.58
Winter	\$2,096.60

	\$7,790.18
Street Lighting	631.97

Libraries:

Libraries	544.67
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Public Welfare:

Old Age assistance	1,573.64
Town Poor	201.50

RECEIPTS—Concluded

Rent of town property 1956	68.50
Income from departments	202.75
Reg of motor vehicles, 1956 permits	60.54
Reg. of motor vehicles, 1957 permits	5,017.70

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	10,000.00
Insurance adjustments	24.18
Sale of town property	35.00
Eastern States	2.08
Error in Check	.40

Total Receipts From All Sources	\$96,105.90
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1957	10,639.82
Grand Total	\$106,745.72

PAYMENTS—Continued

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day & Veteran's Assoc.	79.80
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Recreation:

Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	515.13
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, incl. hearse hire	105.00
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Unclassified:

Damages & legal expenses	237.30
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Advertising & Regional Assoc.	100.00
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Taxes bought by town	286.62
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Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	134.14
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Payments to State a/c Yield Tax Debt. Retirement	166.51
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$19,047.42
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Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	63.89
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Paid on long term notes	77.50
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Total Interest Payments	\$141.39
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Outlay for New Constr., Equipment and Permanent Improvements:

Town Hall Repairs (Fire dam.)	1,081.08
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Fire House Const. (Fire dam.)	1,131.09
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Fire Loss of Equipment	1,091.28
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Total Outlay Payments	\$3,303.45
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PAYMENTS—Concluded

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	10,000.00
Payments on long term notes	1,627.50

Total Indebtedness Payments	\$11,627.50
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Payments to Other

Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid	
State Treasurer	2,204.50
Taxes paid to County	3,703.84

Payments to School Districts:

1956 Tax	\$15,120.80
1957 Tax	\$18,923.18

\$34,043.98

Total Payments to Other

Governmental Divisions	\$39,952.32
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$74,072.08
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1957	\$32,673.64

Grand Total	\$106,745.72
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department Equipment	50.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Highway Dept., Lands & Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	5,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	100,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00
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Total	\$166,850.00

TOWN CLERK'S DISCHARGE

Stratham N. H.

January 8, 1958

We have examined the Books of Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk.

In regard to Auto Permits we find Serial Numbers and Amounts correct. We find she has collected \$5,078.24 for same.

In regard to Dog Licenses she collected \$431.00, deducting \$33.80 for Fees.

Filing Fees collected \$7.00.

Turned over to Treasurer a Total of \$5,482.34 for which she has receipts. Balance Due Town .10.

JAMES I. SCAMMAN

FRANCES F. WIGGIN

Auditors

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

SUMMARY OF 1957 TAX WARRANTS COMBINED DR.

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property taxes	\$73,609.10	
Poll taxes	798.00	
Yield taxes (See note below)	396.89	
	<hr/>	\$74,803.99

Added Taxes:

Property taxes	82.50	
Nat. Bank stock taxes	12.50	
Poll taxes	6.00	
	<hr/>	101.00

Interest collected on property taxes	3.33
Penalties collected on polls	1.60
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Total Debits	\$74,909.92
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$55,653.62	
Nat. Bank stock taxes	12.50	
Poll taxes	556.00	
Interest and penalties	4.93	
	<hr/>	\$56,227.05

Discounts allowed	326.72
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Abatements:

Property taxes	255.75	
Poll taxes	22.00	
	<hr/>	\$277.75

**Uncollected Taxes as per
Collector's List:**

Property taxes	\$17,455.51	
Poll taxes	226.00	
Yield taxes (See note)	396.89	
	<hr/>	\$18,078.40

Total Credits	\$74,909.92
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NOTE:

Since the warrant for collection of yield taxes was not committed to the Collector until December 31, no collections could be made in the fiscal year.

**SUMMARY OF 1956 TAX WARRANTS COMBINED
DR.**

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1957:

Property taxes	\$14,002.75	
Poll taxes	220.00	
Yield taxes	572.95	
	<hr/>	\$14,795.70
Added poll taxes		\$6.00

Interest Collected during year 1957:

On property taxes	\$400.89	
On poll taxes	3.75	
On yield taxes	6.68	
Penalties on poll taxes	21.20	
	<hr/>	\$432.52

Total Debits	\$15,234.22
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$14,002.75
Poll taxes	210.00

Yield taxes	486.55	
Interest on all taxes	411.32	
Penalties on polls	21.20	
	<hr/>	\$15,131.82
Abatements during year:		
Poll taxes	\$12.00	
Yield taxes (Error in assessment)	86.40	
	<hr/>	\$98.40
Uncoll. as of Dec. 31, 1957:		
Poll taxes		\$4.00
		<hr/>
Total Credits		\$15,234.22

SUMMARY OF 1955 TAXES
DR.

Uncoll. Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1957:		
Poll taxes	\$2.00	
Interest collected	.18	
Penalty collected	.20	
	<hr/>	.38
		<hr/>
Total Debits		\$2.38
CR.		
Remitted to Treasurer		\$2.38

SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANTS
LEVY OF 1957
DR.

State Head Taxes		
Committed to Collector:		
	\$2,425.00	
Added head taxes	30.00	
Penalties collected	5.50	
	<hr/>	
Total Debits		\$2,460.50

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head taxes	\$1,710.00
Penalties	5.50

\$1,715.50

Abatements	60.00
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Uncollected head taxes as per list	685.00
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Total Credits	\$2,460.50
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LEVY OF 1956

DR.

Uncollected head taxes Jan. 1, 1957	\$645.00
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Head taxes added during year	10.00
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Penalties collected	63.00
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Total Debits	\$718.00
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head taxes	\$610.00
Penalties	63.00

\$673.00

Abatements	35.00
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Uncollected head taxes as per list	10.00
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Total Credits	\$718.00
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LEVY OF 1955

DR.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1957	\$5.00
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Penalty collected	.50
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Total Debits	\$5.50
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CR.

Remitted to Treasurer	\$5.50
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT

As of December 31, 1957

DR.

	Tax sale on account of levies of:		
	1956	1955	1954
Taxes sold during fiscal year	\$286.62	—	—
Balance of unredeemed taxes			
January 1, 1957	—	95.61	77.15
Interest collected after sale	.16	—	11.07
Redemption costs	.50	—	1.00
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	\$287.28	\$95.61	\$89.22

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Remittances to Treas.	\$107.09	—	88.97
Redemption fees	.50	—	.25
Unredeemed taxes			
Dec. 31, 1957	179.69	95.61	—
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	\$287.28	\$95.61	\$89.22

RALPH D. PARKMAN

Collector of Taxes

January 16, 1958

We have this day completed the audit of the books and accounts of Ralph D. Parkman, Collector of taxes, for the fiscal year 1957, and find them correctly cast, properly vouched, and in order.

JAMES SCAMMAN

FRANCIS WIGGIN

Town Auditors

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1957 \$10,639.82

Received from:

Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector

1955 Head tax	\$5.50
1955 Poll tax	2.38
1956 Property tax	14,404.51
1956 Head tax	673.00
1956 Poll tax	234.95
1956 Yield tax	493.23
1957 Property tax	55,668.58
1957 Head tax	1,715.50
1957 Poll tax	557.60
Redemption tax sales	196.06

\$73,951.31

Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk

Auto Permits	\$5,078.24
Dog Licenses	397.20
Filing Fee	7.00

\$5,482.44

State of New Hampshire

Fire Refund	\$30.95
Recovery Old Age Asst.	189.30
Comm. Public Works & Highways	1.00
Savings Bank Tax	390.99
Reimbursement Head Tax	14.00
Highway Refund T. R. A.	1,278.71
Interest & Dividends	4,373.09

\$6,278.04

Highway Department
Breaking Driveways

\$99.75

\$99.75

Miscellaneous

Assisting Newfields Fire	\$60.00
Dividend, Insurance Policy	24.18
Use of Grader	15.00
Town of Greenland, Tarring	75.00
Wood at Town Hall	10.00
Rent of Hall (1956)	68.50
Eastern States Farmers Ex.	2.08
Sale of Gravel	13.00
Returned on Fire	1.20
Sale of oil tank	10.00
Cemetery Lot	15.00
Note Exeter Banking Co.	10,000.00
Error in Ck. Dep.	.40

\$10,294.36

\$106,745.72

Paid on Selectmen's orders	\$74,072.08
Bal. on hand Dec. 31, 1957	32,673.64

\$106,745.72

DETAILED EXPENDITURES

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$2,300.00	
Overdraft	157.12	
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		\$2,457.12
Francis Wiggin, Auditor	\$30.00	
James Scamman, Auditor	30.00	
Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk	311.00	
Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector	1,011.12	
Leslie Scammon, Treasurer	125.00	
Robert L. Elmore, Selectman	250.00	
John A. Hutton Jr., Selectman	300.00	
John A. Hutton Jr., Overseer of the Poor	50.00	
Robert T. Wiggin, Selectman	350.00	
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		\$2,457.12

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Overdraft	307.52	
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		\$1,307.52
Association of New Hampshire Assessors, dues	\$6.00	
Exeter News Letter, notices	12.00	
James Scamman, supplies	23.71	
Dot's Flower Shop	10.25	
Batchelder's Book Store, supplies, Town Clerk's typewriter, Select- men's files, adding machine	258.60	
Robert T. Wiggin	16.85	

Charlotte M. Hutton, typing inventories	10.00	
DeMerritt Agency, bonds	94.20	
N. H. Tax Collector's Association Dues	3.00	
Squamscott Press, printing	22.00	
Ralph D. Parkman, supplies	13.69	
U. N. H.	20.00	
Sargent Bros., supplies, printing	34.75	
U. S. Auto & Truck Guide	8.00	
John W. A. Green	24.20	
Trustees of Trust Funds	1.89	
Mrs. Stanley Snow	35.00	
Raymond Hobbs	45.00	
John A. Hutton Jr.	9.20	
Edson C. Eastman Co., dog tags, supplies	53.60	
Hampton Publishing Co., Town Reports	447.95	
Mary R. Tuck	112.48	
N. H. Tax Commission, book	2.50	
N. H. Town Clerk's Association, Dues	3.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	39.65	
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		\$1,307.52

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Filing Fees	7.00	
Balance	57.25	
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		\$49.75
Exeter News Letter, notices, ballots	\$24.75	

Marguerite Scamman, Ballot clerk	5.00
Bertha Parks, Ballot clerk	5.00
Gladys Chapman, Ballot clerk	5.00
Gertrude Marston, Ballot clerk	5.00
George C. Jewell, Moderator	5.00

\$49.75

TOWN HALL AND OTHER TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation	\$800.00
Rent - Misc.	78.50
Overdraft	45.48

\$923.98

James Scamman, supplies	3.59
Roy Goodrich, repair on burner	27.85
Francis Hanley, paint & labor	71.94
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	124.46
DeMerritt Agency, Fire Ins. on Hall	54.32
C. M. Dining, Oil	203.62
Stratham Hardware, supplies	90.93
Leslie Scammon, repairs	12.62
Callahan Oil Service, Roto Power Unit	54.40
Donald Barker, Janitor	165.00
Fred A. Hutton, Town Hall yard	26.25
J. H. Morgan, water system	9.00
Raymond Tucker, wiring repairs	10.00
P. J. Coakley, bulldozer	70.00

\$923.98

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$150.00	
Overdraft	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$300.00
Forrest P. Wentworth, services	\$300.00	
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$700.00	
Income	60.95	
Balance	113.21	
	<hr/>	\$647.74
James Scamman, supplies, telephone	\$89.29	
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	52.57	
Stratham Hardware Inc.	7.25	
Wentworth Motor Co.	82.24	
Robert T. Wiggin, Fire Warden	147.70	
Callahan Oil Service	71.12	
Lawrence Foss, repairs	23.90	
Daniel Bartley	55.00	
Auto Electric Service Co., battery	17.59	
Frank D. Perkins	101.08	
	<hr/>	\$647.74

INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$575.00	
Dividends	24.18	
Overdraft	17.42	
	<hr/>	\$616.60
DeMerritt Agency	\$301.20	

Rockingham National Bank	4.40	
Mass. Bonding, Fire Accident	95.00	
W. Douglass Scamman	216.00	
	<hr/>	\$616.60

TOWN DUMP

Appropriation	\$350.00	
Balance	3.25	
	<hr/>	\$346.75
H. L. Joy	\$297.00	
Albert H. Stevens	49.75	
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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$9,000.00	
Summer Roads	\$6,000.00		
Winter Roads	3,000.00		
Income		202.75	
Balance		1,412.57	
		<hr/>	\$7,790.18

Albert H. Stevens, truck and labor	\$6,045.45
Burleigh Fernald, plowing driveways	332.00
W. A. Scamman and Son	7.50
James Scamman, supplies	4.73
Robert T. Wiggin	245.09
Donald Rogers, labor	5.00
Perley J. Wells	9.50
Frank Eldredge	7.51
Callahan Oil Service	243.02

Frank D. Perkins, grader tire	247.90
J. E. Faltin, delivery charge	2.05
Taylor's Express, delivery charge	2.25
Monpal Inc., Salt	134.00
International Salt Co.	223.00
State Sand & Gravel, sand	61.00
R. C. Hazelton	56.58
White's Welding	101.39
Auto Electric Co.	28.33
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	11.93
Wentworth Motor	21.95

\$7,790.18

LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$500.00
Overdraft	44.67

\$544.67

Callahan Oil Service	\$298.34
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	33.42
Leslie Scammon, repairs	29.71
Gladys Chapman, librarian	150.00
W. Douglass Scamman, Ins. on books	21.20
Wallace H. Brown	12.00

\$544.67

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation	\$630.00
Overdraft	1.97

\$631.97

Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	\$631.97
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\$631.97

VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation	\$37.00	
Balance	5.50	
	<hr/>	\$31.50
Mary R. Tuck	\$31.50	
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
Refund	189.30	
Balance	615.66	
	<hr/>	\$1,573.64
State of N. H., O. A. A.	\$1,573.64	
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TOWN POOR

Appropriation	\$200.00	
Overdraft	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$201.50
George W. Hilton, surplus commodities	\$31.65	
James Scamman, groceries	169.85	
	<hr/>	\$201.50

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$75.00	
Overdraft	4.80	
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		\$79.80
Batchelder's Bookstore, flags	\$12.30	
Charles A. Parker, wreath	2.50	
Cobbs' Radio Service	15.00	
Exeter High School Band	50.00	
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		\$79.80

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Appropriation	\$400.00	
Overdraft	115.13	
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		\$515.13
Wentworth Motor Co.	\$10.00	
George R. and R. C. Kimball, pump repair	14.38	
Richard B. Capron, mowing	6.00	
Roy Tibbetts, replacing rope on flag pole	5.00	
Arthur R. Lovett, pavillion repairs	179.75	
P. J. Coakley	300.00	
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		\$515.13

CEMETERIES

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Overdraft	5.00	
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		\$105.00
J. Lamson Emery, mowing ceme- teries	\$105.00	
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		\$105.00

LEGAL EXPENSES AND DOG DAMAGE

Appropriation	\$150.00	
Overdraft	87.30	
	<hr/>	\$237.30
G. Douglass Ross, dog damage	90.00	
Sleeper and Mullavey	15.00	
George M. Johnson, dog damage	5.00	
Frank A. Batchelder	127.30	
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ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Appropriation	\$100.00	
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N. H. Seacoast Development Association	\$100.00	
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INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Appropriation	\$50.00	
Overdraft	13.89	
	<hr/>	\$63.89
Exeter Banking Company	\$63.89	
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INTEREST ON LONG TERM NOTES

Appropriation	\$175.00	
Balance	97.50	
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Exeter Banking Co., Int. on
T. R. A. note

77.50

77.50

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation
Balance

\$4,265.63
561.79

\$3,703.84

Winston H. Lothrop, County
Treasurer

\$3,703.84

\$3,703.84

TEMPORARY LOANS

Exeter Banking Company

\$10,000.00

\$10,000.00

LONG TERM NOTES

N. H. State Treasurer, Bond and
Debt. Ret.

\$166.51

Exeter Banking Company, T. R. A.
Note

1,627.50

\$1,794.01

STATE HEAD TAX

Treasurer State of N. H.

\$2,204.50

\$2,204.50

SCHOOL TAX

Appropriation	\$60,033.72	
Balance of 1956 Tax	15,120.80	
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	\$75,154.52	
Due School District	41,110.54	
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		\$34,043.98
School District 1956 Tax	\$15,120.80	
School District 1957 Tax	18,923.18	
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		\$34,043.98

FIRE HOUSE (FIRE DAMAGE)

Balance of Ins. Money	\$1,546.85	
Balance	415.76	
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		\$1,131.09
J. H. Beairsto, wiring	89.95	
Weston Emergency Light Co.	56.00	
Rila Concrete Products, septic tank	150.00	
Stratham Hardware	400.14	
Philip N. Brooks	35.00	
Pierce Constrution Co.	400.00	
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		\$1,131.09

FIRE DAMAGE, EQUIPMENT

Balance of Appropriation	\$1,678.19	
Balance	586.91	
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		\$1,091.28
Auto Electric Service	\$18.99	
Stratham Hardware	86.69	
R. C. Hazelton Inc.	805.82	

Treasurer State of N. H.,

Fire tools	116.13
William J. Haines, siren controls	54.00
R. S. Berry, battery charger	9.65

\$1,091.28

FIRE DAMAGE, TOWN HALL

Balance of Insurance	\$3,782.37
Balance	2,701.29

\$1,081.08

Francis C. Hanley, painting	\$256.00
J. H. Beairsto, wiring	5.00
Stratham Hardware	20.08
Wallace Brown	800.00

\$1,081.08

TAX SALE

Ralph D. Parkman, collector	\$286.62
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\$286.62

ABATEMENTS AND REFUNDS

Constance Stanley, auto tax	\$15.14
Mary E. Aldrich, tax abatement	50.00
William Roberts, tax abatement	50.00
Stanley French, road tax	19.00

\$134.14

REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Albert Stevens, truck and labor	\$899.01
Burleigh Fernald, jeep	332.00
W. A. Scamman, truck	7.50
Robert T. Wiggin, labor	252.09
Howard Stevens, labor	151.88
George Stevens, labor	31.88
Donald Rogers, labor	5.00
Frank Eldredge, labor	7.51
Monpal, Inc., salt	134.00
J. E. Faltin, express	2.05
Frank D. Perkins, grader tires	518.83
R. C. Hazelton, cutting edge and parts	66.65
White's Welding Shop, repairs	101.39
Callahan Oil Service, fuel	323.17
Wentworth Motor Co., repairs	27.70
Donald Tewksbury, labor	40.00
Stratham Hardware and Lumber, tools	2.80
Iafolla Crush Stone Inc., patch	137.20
Exeter and Hampton	13.69
Richard Capron	70.38
Charles Hayes, tarring roads	4,327.50
Davis Tractor Co.	6.11
Internal Revenue	3.24
Sate Sand and Gravel, winter sand	61.00
Taylor's Express	2.25
Auto Electric Co.	28.33
Perley J. Wells, repairs	9.50
International Salt Co.	223.00
Stratham Grocery, gas	4.73
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	\$7,790.39

ROBERT T. WIGGIN,

Acting Road Agent

TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

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Principal amounts of Town trust

funds as of Jan. 1, 1957:

Cemetery funds	\$11,175.00
Library funds	6,400.00
Stratham Hill Park funds	4,000.00
Capital Reserve (School Dist.)	1,000.00
Fund for benefit of Mary F. Weeks	950.00
Highway funds	5.00

\$23,530.00

Trust funds received during 1957

Charles E. Parkman cemetery fund	\$123.00
Ayers - Leavitt cemetery fund	200.00
Charles N. Lane cemetery fund	200.00

\$523.00

Unexpended income as of Jan. 1, 1957

Cash on deposit in various banks	\$1,050.82
Cash in checking account	293.22

\$1,344.04

Income accruing during year 1957

From Government bonds	\$150.00
Amoskeag Savings Bank	244.76
Plaistow Cooperative Bank	177.26
Exeter Cooperative Bank	37.32
Portsmouth Savings Bank	40.05

Manchester Federal Savings and Loan	32.06	
Mechanics Savings Bank	15.47	
Exeter Banking Co.	33.68	
Investment certificates	8.00	
N. H. Fire Insurance Co.	1.50	
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		\$740.10
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Total Debits		\$26,137.14

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Principal amounts of Town Trust

Funds as of Dec. 31, 1957

Cemetery funds	\$11,698.00	
Library funds	6,400.00	
Stratham Hill Park funds	4,000.00	
Capital Reserve (School Dist.)	1,000.00	
Fund for benefit of		
Mary F. Weeks	950.00	
Highway fund	5.00	
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		\$24,053.00

Income payments during year

To Library Treasurer	\$188.43	
To Mary F. (Weeks) Malz	30.88	
To John F. Emery for cemetery work		
Balance, season of		
1956	\$68.00	
On acct., season of		
1957	99.15	
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		\$167.15

To J. Lamson Emery		
On acct., season of 1957	\$101.00	
	<hr/>	\$487.46
Unexpended income on hand Dec. 31, 1957		
On deposit in various banks	\$1,236.96	
Cash in checking account	359.72	
	<hr/>	\$1,596.68
Total Credits		<hr/>
		\$26,137.14

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

January 1, 1958

We have examined the accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds for the fiscal year 1957, and find these accounts properly cast and balanced. We have also checked all bank books and securities in the custody of the Trustees and find them all in order.

JAMES SCAMMAN

FRANCIS WIGGIN

Town Auditors

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January, 1958

RALPH D. PARKMAN

JOHN A. HUTTON JR.

WALTER H. PEASE

Trustees of Trust Funds

Town of Stratham

Trust Funds

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1957

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
1901	Andrew Wiggin cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	\$100.00	3 & 3/4	.09	\$3.14	\$3.00	.23
	Care of lot - Greenwood Cemetery							
1909	Amanda Lane Library fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	700.00	3 & 3/4	.00	21.88	21.88	.00
	Books for Town Library							
1913	James W. Foss cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	75.00	3 & 3/4	.02	2.37	2.25	.14
	Care of lot - Greenwood							
1913	Sarah Downes cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	50.00	3 & 3/4	1.68	1.58	3.25	.01
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1919	Frank P. Leavitt cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100.00	3 & 3/4	.30	3.14	3.25	.19
	Care of lot - Greenwood							
1920	Elizabeth Wood cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	150.00	3 & 3/4	1.14	4.76	5.50	.40
	Care of lot - Greenwood							
1922	John Scammon cemetery fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100.00	3 & 3/4	4.00	3.18	6.50	.68
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1924	Mary J. Roberts cemetery fund	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	3.02	3.38	6.40	.00
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1924	Mary J. Roberts Library fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	.00	6.55	6.55	.00
	Benefit of Town Library							

1925	Edmund B. Lane Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4	.00	32.50	32.50	.00
1928	George L. Barker cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	21.48	7.38	8.00	20.86
1929	George W. Dixon Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4	.00	32.50	32.50	.00
1930	M. Abbie Sanborn cemetery fund Care of Brown lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	.07	3.31	.00	3.38
1930 & 1933	Paine Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	1.82	3.27	3.25	1.84
1931 & 1933	Joseph C. A. Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	6.64	3.39	10.00	.03
1931	George W. Dixon cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Mechanics Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	33.29	7.64	7.00	33.93
1931	Mary W. Towle cemetery fund Care of lot - Hiram Wiggin farm	Mechanics Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	39.60	7.83	.00	47.43
1931	Mary W. Towle Trust fund Income to Mary F. Weeks	Amoskeag Savings Bank	950.00	3 1/4	.00	30.88	30.88	.00
1932	Horace M. Hill Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4	.00	32.50	32.50	.00
1932	Horace M. Hill Park fund Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	Amoskeag Savings Bank	500.00	3 1/4	55.00	17.18	.00	72.18
1932	Horace M. Hill highway fund Removing stones - Town roads	Amoskeag Savings Bank	5.00	3 1/4	4.34	.30	.00	4.64
1933 & 1936	Caroline W. Baker cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	250.00	3 1/4	21.24	9.00	8.00	22.24
1934	Annie L. Harvey cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	4.54	3.33	4.25	3.62
1936	George Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	6.15	6.83	12.50	.48

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1957

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
1937	J. H. LeRoy cemetery fund	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	27.01	4.03	16.00	15.04
1937	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1937	Joseph T. Smart cemetery fund	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	3.03	3.38	6.25	.16
1938	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1938	Edward Clapp cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	.13	3.31	.00	3.44
1938	Care of lot - Greenwood							
1938	George H. Ellison cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	2.06	3.29	3.50	1.85
1939	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1939	George H. Bowley cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	42.42	4.52	16.00	30.94
1939	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1939	Hannah M. Barker cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	30.47	4.26	.00	34.73
1944	Care of lot - Ezra Barker farm							
1944	Charles E. Clark cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	5.29	6.83	7.00	5.12
1944	Care of lot - Greenwood							
1944	Albert P. Smith cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	2.03	3.29	3.50	1.82
1944	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							
1944	Nathaniel Wiggin cemetery fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	3 1/4	2.48	4.91	4.75	2.64
1944	Care of lot - Upper cemetery							

1945	L. J. Batchelder cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	3.98	3.38	4.00	3.36
1945	John Wiggin cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	5.93	6.85	7.00	5.78
1946	John S. Scammon cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	3 1/4	2.48	4.91	4.75	2.64
1946	Charles E. Gear cemetery fund Care of lot & improvement of cem.	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	1,000.00	2 1/2	4.75	25.00	15.00	14.75
1946	Charles E. Gear Library fund Books & care of Library grounds	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	2,500.00	2 1/2	.00	62.50	62.50	.00
1946	Charles E. Gear Park fund Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	2,500.00	2 1/2	218.75	62.50	.00	281.25
1947	School Dist. Capital Reserve For use of Central School	Exeter Banking Co.	1,000.00	2 1/2 & 3	216.99	33.68	.00	250.67
1947	Minnie S. Sanderson cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	250.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	9.79	8.80	7.00	11.59
1948	William Dining cemetery fund No. 1 Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2	18.30	4.01	.00	22.31
1949	William Dining cemetery fund No. 2 Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank Investment Certificate	100.00	4	18.50	4.00	8.00	14.50
1949	David Batchelder cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank Investment Certificate	100.00	4	7.50	4.00	4.00	7.50
1949	Frank H. Barker cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	1.06	3.35	3.00	1.41
1949	May I. Gowen cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	19.55	7.10	13.00	13.65
1949	Samuel J. Sinclair cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	100.00	3	3.36	3.01	6.25	.12
1950	Albert C. Lane cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	100.00	3	.06	3.01	3.00	.07

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1957

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal		Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
1951	David Jewell cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	300.00	3		13.91	9.39	8.00	15.30
1951	Parry C. Wiggin Trust fund Care & main. - Greenwood cem.	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	2,000.00	3		164.54	65.10	.00	229.64
1952	Henry L. Jewell Park fund Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	1,000.00	3		129.35	34.14	.00	163.49
1952	Henry L. Jewell cemetery fund Upkeep of Greenwood Cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	1,000.00	3		129.35	34.14	.00	163.49
1952	Henry L. Jewell cemetery fund Care of lot No. 105 - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	200.00	3		9.89	6.36	6.00	10.25
1952	Henry L. Jewell cemetery fund Care of lot No. 26 - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	200.00	3		8.25	6.29	6.00	8.54
1952	Florence E. Rollins cemetery fund Care of lot & stones - Upper cem.	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	500.00	3		23.73	15.82	8.00	31.55
1953	Avis L. Luippold cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3 1/4 & 3 1/2		3.15	6.89	5.00	5.04
1954	DeWitt C. Chapman cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan	200.00	3 1/2		4.74	7.21	5.00	6.95

1954	Scammon-Lang cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan	200.00	3 1/2	4.74	7.21	5.00	6.95
1955	George H. Odell cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	1.55	6.67	5.00	3.22
1956	Gile - Edmunds, cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Sav. & Loan Association	200.00	3 1/2	.25	7.05	.00	7.30
1956	Leavitt - MacDonald cemetery fund Care of lots 33 & 102 - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Sav. & Loan Association	300.00	3 1/2	.25	10.59	5.00	5.84
1957	Charles E. Parkman cemetery fund Care of lot in Upper cemetery	3 shares New Hampshire Fire Insurance	123.00	\$2. per share	.00	1.50	.00	1.50
1957	Ayers-Leavitt cemetery fund Care of lot—Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3 1/2	.00	.00	.00	.00
1957	Charles N. Lane cemetery fund Care of lot—Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3 1/2	.00	.00	.00	.00
TOTALS			\$24,053.00		\$1,344.04	\$740.10	\$487.46	\$1,596.68

REPORT OF THE STRATHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Feb. 15, 1958

As this is the first printed appearance in a Town Report, a brief resume of the department's activities is in order. The 100% volunteer fire department is organized into administrative and operational branches.

The administrative officers consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, elected by the department in March of each year. Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8 p.m. at the fire station. It is the duty of the administrative officers to supervise department meetings of any business or recreational nature and to record and file such information.

Operations officers are the men in charge of any fire business, from drill to actual fire fighting. They consist of Chief, 1st Assistant, 2nd Assistant, Captain, Lieutenant, Steward. The responsibility of the success in fire work rests with these men and to date the records show they have been selected with this in mind.

The department was organized in March, 1951, presided over by charter President John Cole. By-laws were adopted, a Charter was secured from the State and a pattern set which carries nearly intact to our present day department. We have approximately fifty dues-paid members and an active Ladies Auxiliary. Each department member is insured during his time of active fire-fighting and the department as a whole belongs to the area's successful Mutual Aid organization.

Generally the financing of the department operation costs is carried by the town, i.e. heating of the building

and some truck and maintenance supplies. All work is voluntary and considerable equipment and supplies are contributed by the firemen, auxiliary and the combined money-raising plans with other community organizations. Auctions, card parties and suppers help support this fund.

This past year has seen a minimum of calls, the only serious fire being on the Wells place on Stratham Heights area. The operations officers head competitive drill teams which may be seen practicing throughout the year. These drills have acquainted every member of the department with all phases of fire-fighting to which he may be exposed.

Our equipment, station omitted, isn't exactly ideal and with growing property values we are ambitious to correct our "weak link". Our immediate needs consist mainly with a new pumping engine complete in dependability. Committee work is being done and we feel it time to present this to the town. A considerable sum has been saved by the department, earmarked for this and we ask the town to help themselves to a vital improvement. Please support the article in the warrant.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income — Working Capital

Balance on hand March 11, 1957	\$352.68
Dues	96.00
Card Parties	110.40
Raffle	207.75
PTA Supper and Auction	198.67
Miscellaneous	27.87
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	\$993.37

Expenses

Material for fire house	\$323.96
Repairs and supplies (trucks)	94.24
N. H. State Firemen's Ass'n. (Insurance)	48.00
Misc. Expenses	72.25
Transferred to Exeter Coop Bank	300.00
Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1958	154.92
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	\$993.37

1957 Department Officers

Chief, Robert Wiggin	Pres, Douglas Ross
1st Asst. Fred Hutton	Vice Pres., Robert Berry
2nd Asst. Leo Senechal	Secretary, George Brown
Capt., Burleigh Fernald	Treas., Rudy Bume
Lieut., James Scamman	
Steward Francis Wentworth	

Respectfully,

DOUGLAS ROSS

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1957	\$161.98
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Interest on :

Edmund B. Lane fund	\$32.50	
George W. Dixon fund	32.50	
Horace M. Hill fund	32.50	
Emma B. Wiggin fund	45.00	
Amanda Lane fund	21.88	
Charles E. Gear fund	62.50	
Mary J. Roberts fund	6.55	
Interest on Bank a/c	3.56	
		\$236.99
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		\$398.97

Paid out:

Goodmans Book Store	\$191.00	
James Peabody	10.50	
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1957	\$197.47
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	\$398.97

NEW BOOKS — 1957

The Man Who Didn't Fly	Bennett, Margot
The Black Mirror	Benson, Ben
Dandelion Wine	Bradbury, Ray
The Small Woman	Burgess, Alan
Sing Out the Glory	Carroll, Gladys Hasty
This Hallowed Ground	Calton, Bruce
The Edge of Darkness	Chase, Mary Ellen
Rumpus on Commodore Hill	Cheney, Cora
Christie Classics	Christie, Agatha
My Twenty Years in Buckingham Palace...	Corbit, F. G.
Below the Salt	Costan, Thomas B.
My Antarctic Honeymoon	Darlington, Jennie
The Island Horses	Dellan, Eilis
My Family and Other Animals	Durrell, Gerald
Winton in Wonderland	Estes, Winston M.
The Black Stallion	Farley, Walter
The Town	Faulkner, William
The Case of the Daring Decoy	Gardner, Erle Stanley
The Case of the Lucky Loser	Gardner, Erle Stanley
But Love Wants All	Garrison, Joan
Strangers in the Valley	Geld, Ellen Bromfield
Silver Spoon	Gilbert, Edwin
The Wreck of the Mary Deare	Hammond, Innes
Mountain Courage	Hawkins, Quail
Bon Voyage	Hayes, Maryane & Joseph
A Single Pebble	Hersey, John
Black Gold	Henry, Marguerite
Misty of Cluncoteaque	Henry, Marguerite
Onki	Hepper, Elizabeth P.
Waterfowl	Hochbaun, Albert
Johnny Little John	Hurd, Edith & Clement
Blue Camellia	Keyes, Frances Parkinson
Things Maps Don't Tell Us	Lobeck, Armin K.
Look to the Stars	Loring, Emile

The Towers of Trebizond	Macaulay, Rose
To Live Again	Marshall, Catherine
New Lives for Old	Mead, Margaret
Wild Geese Flying	Meigs, Cornelia
A Man Ten Feet Tall	Miller, Helen Topping
First Lady of the Seeing Eye	
	Morris, Frank & Clark Blake
The Dog Who Wouldn't Be	Mowat, Farley
Storm at Andersons Point	Nelson, Mary
I Was Chaplain on the Franklin O'Callahan	
	Father Joseph, S. J.
The Chesterfield Gold	Pilkington, Roger
And Live Alone	Pitkin, Dorothy
All I Want Is Everything	Preminger, Marion Mill
Volcano Adventure	Price, Willard
The First Book of New England	
	Rich, Louise Dickensōn
Maggie's Champion	Robinson, Virginia
The Doctor's Husband	Seifert, Elizabeth
Mr. Peabody's Pesky Ducks	Sharfman, Amalie
On the Beach	Shute, Nevil
Autumn Across America	Teale, Edwin Way
Three Saints and a Sinner	Tharp, Louise Hall
The Litmore Snatch	Wade, Henry
I Found My Love	Walden, Amelia E.
Palomino Gal	Walden, Amelia E.
The F. B. I. Story	Don Whitehead
Presented by Mrs. Harry S. Brant:	
The March of Democracy	Adams, James Truslow
Lawrence & Brett	Brett, Dorothy
Men and Women Who Make Music	Ewen, David
Marguerite of Austria	Hare, Christopher
U. S. A.	Passos, John Dos
Theodore Roosevelt	Prinafe, Henry F.
Since Fifty	Rothenstein, William
The Life of Cesare Borgia	Sabatini, Rafael
The Decline of the West	Spengler, Oswald

Days of Our Years Van Passen, Pierre
 Presented by Miss Annie A. Chase:
 Chase Family Records Seaver, J. Montgomery
 Presented by Mr. James T. Roby:
 Gardening with Herbs Fox, Helen
 Presented by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Jones:
 Fifty Billion DollarsJones, Jessie H. & Angly, Edward

Presented:

Reader's Digest Condensed Books

Spring	1957	Selections
Summer	1957	Selections
Autumn	1957	Selections
Winter	1958	Selections

Circulation	2244
Fiction	1191
Non-fiction	220
Juvenile	883

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have this day completed the audit for the Town of Stratham, and have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen's Ledger and Vouchers, Road Agents Accounts and Payrolls, Library Funds, and Bonds of all Town Officers, also Notes and Bonds Payable, and find all accounts properly cast and balanced.

JAMES SCAMMAN
 FRANCIS WIGGIN

NEW HAMPSHIRE SEACOAST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Report of the President and Executive Secretary
Year ending September 15, 1957

This twenty-third annual report will briefly touch upon some of the more important events of the Association's activities.

The distribution of our ever popular information and guide book "The Seacoast Region of New Hampshire Awaits Your Pleasure" has been significant in that a record number have been mailed directly to individuals definitely interested in the Region and the State.

More than forty percent of the 25,000 published have been sent to these individuals upon personal request and through selections from authentic lists of inquiries for the information the book contains. The remaining sixty percent were effectively used through the various valuable information services in the United States and Canada.

The six regional associations joined in an exhibit at the Boston Herald Travelcade in November 1956 and will participate again in October 1957.

The \$1,171,000.00 Federal Project removing hazards to navigation in Portsmouth Harbor and the Piscataqua River is now completed. A resolution for authorization of further surveys in the upper part of the River has been presented by Congressman Chester E. Merrow to the Public Works Committee of the U. S. House of Representatives.

Sponsored by the (State) Harbor Advisory Committee of which the Executive Secretary is Chairman, legislation creating a New Hampshire Port Authority has been enacted.

Full surveys of Rye and Hampton Harbors by the U. S. Army Engineers have been completed and favorable reports are expected soon.

Determined efforts have been exerted for reconstruction of the State Pier at Hampton Harbor.

Funds have been allotted for a study by Army Engineers on extention downstream of the Cocheco River Flood Control Project.

Legislation recreating the N. H. Shore Fisheries Advisory Committee has been enacted.

Sponsored by our Mosquito Control Committee, legislation enabling establishment of insect and pest control districts in the State has been enacted.

The Association services through the Executive Secretary and Prof. C. F. Jackson of our Fisheries Committee, cooperating with the Portsmouth Rotary Club, the Portsmouth Y.M.C.A., Camp Gundalow and the Town of Greenland, were instrumental in securing the Winnicut River Dam.

Extensive data on the Region for a directory of Historic Lore in New Hampshire was compiled by Mrs. F. W. Randall for our Historic Sites Committee.

Legislation for the study of the pollution problem in Great Bay and the Rivers has been enacted.

Through action of our Agricultural Committee in addition to 4-H Clubs merit awards, the club leaders now receive the National 4-H News Magazine.

Some of these objectives were initiated or sponsored by the Association and in others every possible assistance has been extended. Special consideration should be given to the good services of our legislators. In these and other endeavors our associations with other groups and agencies, Local, State and Federal have been harmonious and productive.

Also the cooperative work of the Six Neighborly Regions of New Hampshire has brought forth many expressions of commendation. Our greatest need is more interest and support in our constructive purposes.

ALTON P. TOBEY,	ALVIN F. REDDEN,
President	Executive Secretary

School Report

SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Board

*Katherine Peabody
Raymond Tucker
Henry Saltonstall

School Treasurer

*Ralph D. Parkman

Moderator

*Walter A. Scamman

Clerk

*Bertha Parks

Auditor

*Pauline Scammon

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham, N. H. qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Memorial School in said district on the 10th day of March 1958, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District and to authorize the application against said appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received

from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will vote to send the grade 7-12 students to Exeter on tuition basis provided that Exeter furnishes additional facilities to house these students in the near future.

10. To see if the district will vote to authorize the employment of a helping teacher for the Exeter Supervisory Union No. 16, as provided in RSA 186:11, XXII and XXIV, as amended by the Laws of 1957, Chapter 252:2, starting with the school year 1959 - 1960.

11. To see if the school district will adopt as its school check-list the Town check-list, as provided in RSA 197:12a, as inserted by Laws of 1957, chapter 57; this provision to be effective for the 1959 and subsequent annual district meetings.

12. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratham this 21st day of February, 1958.

KATHERINE S. PEABODY

RAYMOND E. TUCKER

HENRY SALTONSTALL

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

KATHERINE S. PEABODY

RAYMOND E. TUCKER

HENRY SALTONSTALL

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STRATHAM

1958-1959

EXPENDITURES

	Expend. 1956-57	Estimated Expend. 1957-58	Adopted Budget 1958-59
Administration:			
Salaries of district officers	\$ 175.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 250.00
Superintendent's salary	381.80	418.00	430.35
Tax for state wide supervision	448.00	424.00	488.00
Salaries for other admin. personnel	327.06	320.00	380.00
Supplies and expenses	249.93	300.00	330.00
Instruction:			
Teachers' salaries	12,703.15	20,440.00	25,600.00
Books and other instructional aids	642.07	900.00	700.00
Scholars' supplies	325.07	700.00	875.00
Supplies and other expenses	144.16	100.00	125.00
Operation of School Plant:			
Salaries of janitors	875.74	2,000.00	2,300.00
Fuel	868.80	1,800.00	1,800.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	403.27	1,000.00	1,000.00
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs and replacements	697.05	600.00	600.00
Auxiliary Activities:			
Health supervision	358.35	375.00	650.00
Transportation, high	1,625.00	3,000.00	3,200.00
Transportation, elementary	4,875.00	4,000.00	4,200.00
Tuition, high	14,874.19	23,450.00	24,500.00
Tuition, elementary	9,604.05	3,525.00	6,250.00
School lunch	635.68	875.00	875.00
Fixed Charges:			
Teachers' retirement	938.16	1,396.00	1,684.00
Insurance, treasurer's bonds, etc.	367.70	800.00	600.00
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	51,519.23	66,613.00	76,837.35
Capital Outlay:			
Additions and improvements	24,719.82		
New equipment	2,025.77	200.00	200.00
Debt and Interest:			
Principal of debt	2,000.00	8,000.00	6,000.00
Interest on debt	652.50	602.50	2,615.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 80,917.32	\$75,395.50	\$85,652.35

RECEIPTS

;Balance (actual or estimate)	\$ 3,270.04	\$ 3,543.01	\$ 3,500.00
State Aid	7,306.78	9,114.13	11,800.00
Federal Aid	14,563.46	2,000.00	675.00
Tuition \$510.60, Bonds, \$57,039.47	57,550.07		1,000.00
Other	164.65	675.00	50.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	82,855.00	15,332.14	17,025.00
District Assessment	40,000.00	60,183.36	68,627.35
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TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED			
BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$122,855.00	\$75,515.50	\$85,652.35

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For fiscal year July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxation:

On account, school appropriation, 1956-1957	\$40,000.00
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Received from State Treasurer:

State funds	\$6,906.78
20% of bond retirement	400.00
Refund on tax for Statewide supervision	96.65

\$7,403.43

Federal funds for school lunches	583.68
Received directly from Federal agencies:	\$3,935.78

Other Sources of Revenue:

Tuition for State wards	\$1,467.60
Rent of school auditorium	43.00
From P. T. A., for records	25.00
Credit for check lost and replaced	76.30

\$1,611.90

Total receipts from all sources:	\$53,534.79
Cash on hand July 1, 1956	\$3,270.04

Grand total	\$56,804.83
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PAYMENTS

For Administration:

Salaries of district officers	
(Less Social Security taxes)	\$180.95
District's share of Supt's. salary	381.80

Tax for Statewide supervision	448.00
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District's share of other administrative salaries	317.06
Supplies and other expenses	249.93

\$1,577.74

Instruction:

Net salaries of teachers	\$10,035.86
Federal taxes withheld	1,433.94
Retirement withheld	1,037.50
Blue Cross withheld	195.85

Gross salaries	\$12,703.15
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Books and other instructional aids	642.07
Scholars supplies	325.07
Other instructional expenses	59.16

\$1,026.30

Operation of School Plant:

Janitor's salary, less Soc. Sec. taxes	860.88
Janitor's supplies & expenses	205.28
Fuel oil	854.30
Water filter	27.50
Electricity	194.61
Telephone	85.00

\$2,227.57

Maintenance of School Plant:

Repairs and replacements	\$700.43
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Auxiliary Activities:

Health supervision

District's share of
nurse's salary

352.75

Other expenses

5.60

358.35

School lunches

Paid from Federal funds

583.68

Paid from district funds

39.00

622.68**Transportation:**

Marshall's Trans. Co., contract

For High School pupils

1,415.00

For Elementary school pupils

5,085.00

6,500.00**Tuitions:**

At Exeter High School

15,153.70

At Exeter Junior High

9,381.05

At Portsmouth High

295.00

At Hampton High

251.79

At Atkinson elementary

430.00

25,511.54**Fixed Charges:**

Retirement

District's share of
teachers' ret.

862.73

Other retirement payments

55.58

Social Security payments

38.76

957.07

Insurance on school property	301.50	
Liability insurance	18.20	
Treasurer's bonds, two years	48.00	
Legal expenses	75.00	
	<hr/>	442.70
Capital Outlay:		
New equipment		322.72
Debt and Interest:		
Bonds retired	2,000.00	
Interest paid as due	652.50	
	<hr/>	2,652.50
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Total payments		\$55,602.75
Cash on hand June 30, 1957		1,202.08
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Grand total		\$56,804.83

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

As of June 30, 1957

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Received from sale of bonds	\$57,039.47
From U. S. Treasury (Fed. aid)	10,044.00

Total receipts	\$67,083.47
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Paid S. E. LaPerle & Sons, on account of contract	\$20,779.38
Paid William L. White, on account of architect's fees	3,191.48
Paid W. Douglas Scamman, insurance	420.00
Paid American Bank Note Co., printing bonds	159.11
Paid Brown & Saltmarsh, Note, Bond and Coupon register	12.85
Paid Wheeler & Clark, district seal	7.00
Paid Albert H. Stevens, bulldozer work	75.00

Total Payments	\$24,644.82
Cash on hand	42,438.65
Grand total	\$67,083.47

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

As of June 30, 1957

Liabilities:

Bonds issued

May 1, 1950 \$28,000.00

Bonds issued

April 1, 1957 63,000.00

\$91,000.00

Capital Reserve funds

1,232.19

\$92,232.19

Assets:

Balance of appropriation due
from Town

\$4,043.98

Cash on hand June 30, 1957 1,202.08

Capital Reserve funds 1,232.19

6,478.25

Net debt —

Liabilities less Assets:

\$85,753.94

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

July 20, 1957

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the School Treasurer, Ralph D. Parkman, and find them correct in all respects, with a balance on hand in the General Fund of One Thousand Two Hundred Two dollars and eight cents (\$1,202.08) and a balance of Forty Two Thousand, Four Hundred Thirty Eight dollars and Sixty-five cents (\$42,438.65) in the Building Fund.

PAULINE F. SCAMMON,
Auditor

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Auditor's Report

I have examined the account of the Hot Lunch Program for the school year 1956-1957 and find the following:

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1956	\$106.15	
Lunches	3,185.55	
Reimbursements from State	583.68	
Total Receipts		\$3,875.38

EXPENDITURES

Food	\$1,624.12	
Labor	1,460.88	
Others	161.39	
Total Expenditures		\$3,246.39
Balance June 30, 1957		\$628.99

PAULINE F. SCAMMON,

Auditor

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board of Stratham, New Hampshire:

The school year 1957-1958 opened with the following teaching staff:

Mrs. Gwendolyn Allen, Principal and teacher of Grade 6
Mrs. Marion Burwell, Grade 7
Miss Deborah Partiss, Grade 5
Mrs. Bertha Wiggin, Grade 4
Mrs. Gladys Clements, Grades 2 and 3
Mrs. Hilda Barker, Grades 1 and 2
Miss Mary Shea, School Nurse
Mrs. Eleanor Henry, Music Teacher

The list includes two additional teachers, Miss Partiss of Wolfeboro and Mrs. Burwell of Exeter.

It was found that both Mrs. Barker's room and Mrs. Clements' room had thirty-four pupils which gave each teacher a very heavy load especially because of their being in the primary grades. To improve the situation Mrs. Anna Tucker was employed to teach the second grade each morning during which period Mrs. Barker teaches the first grade and Mrs. Clements teaches the third grade. The work is planned so that the basic subjects such as Reading, Arithmetic and Spelling are taught in the morning, and in the afternoon are taught the subjects which can be handled more easily with larger groups such as Social Studies, Writing, Art and Music.

The staff is well prepared, conscientious and diligent, and the teachers are providing good training for the pupils.

The completion of the addition to the building in time for the opening of school was a real accomplish-

ment and I believe the members of the Building Committee, the contractor and the architect all deserve a great deal of credit for a job well done. The addition gives the Stratham School District an excellent building with the facilities that are needed for the successful operation of the school. The citizens are to be congratulated for their willingness to invest the necessary money to provide this building to be used for the educational training of their boys and girls.

The six school districts of East Kingston, Exeter, Kensington, Newfields, Stratham and Brentwood for the past year have been studying the pros and cons of forming a cooperative district at the junior-senior high school level. The idea was discarded when it became apparent that there would be no financial advantage to the Exeter School District which would bear 71% of the cost in the formation of such a cooperative.

A better arrangement as far as Exeter is concerned would seem to be in the direction of Exeter's financing an addition to the present high school plant and then entering into a contract arrangement for tuition with the surrounding districts that would like to send their students to Exeter either for Grades 7-12 or 9-12. The Exeter School Board is presenting such a plan for an addition to the Exeter voters this year.

In order to give support to the Exeter proposal, the school boards in the other five districts which participated in the cooperative study have agreed to place an article in the school warrant asking the voters to vote on the matter of sending students to Exeter if suitable housing facilities are provided. This will give Exeter the needed information as to the size of the addition that should be planned as well as some ideas as to the tuition revenue that may be forthcoming.

I feel very strongly that Exeter should continue to be the educational leader and center at the high school level for the surrounding area and I sincerely hope that Exeter and the bordering school districts will give full support to the above plan.

The school enrollments of the six districts which comprise Supervisory Union No. 16 have grown 58% during the last ten years that I have been superintendent. This increase is from 1245 pupils in 1948-1949 to 1966 pupils in 1957-1958. Because of this growth it is obvious that the work loads of the school nurse, the Union secretary and the superintendent of schools, who are the Union employees, have increased proportionately.

At the Supervisory Union budget meeting in November, it was voted to furnish an assistant nurse to work with Miss Shea, and to increase the secretarial help in the superintendent's office so that one and one-half secretaries would be provided instead of the present one and one-quarter. This action is to become effective in September, 1958.

It was also agreed that the first step towards providing assistance for the superintendent would be taken at the school meetings this year. This would be in the form of an article asking the voters to consider the addition of a Helping Teacher effective in September, 1959. Such a person would assist the superintendent in many ways but his primary function would be that of an elementary supervisor who would work closely with all of the elementary teachers in the Union in coordinating the elementary program and suggesting improved methods of teaching.

A state law provides for five assistant superintendents and these are located in the larger cities. It also provides for administrative assistance in the larger supervisory Unions through the so-called Help-

ing Teacher. The law states that whenever a majority of school districts in a Union representing not less than 85% of the total pupils vote favorably, a Helping Teacher may be established.

At present there are ten unions which have Helping Teachers as follows: Milford, Plaistow,, Lebanon, Peterborough, Tilton, Hampton, Hudson, Derry, New-
port and Laconia. The state pays \$2,500 of the salary of this person. The remainder of the salary is pro-rated according to the Supervisory Union percentages.

I believe that the addition of a Helping Teacher would do much to strengthen the educational program in our Union.

I am pleased that the eighth grade students may attend the Junior High School in Exeter next year.

Mr. Alfred Fischer as janitor is very conscientious in his work and takes pride in keeping the building clean and tidy.

The hot lunch program is again capably operated by Mrs. Naomi Beairsto and Mrs. Ruth Young.

The Parent-Teacher Association continues its good work by supporting the school program in many ways.

I call your attention to the reports of the school nurse and of the music teacher and to the tables which follow.

I extend my appreciation to the citizens, the members of the School Board and the teachers for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent

Supervisory Union No. 16

Stratham, New Hampshire
January 17, 1958

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools :

A well-rounded music program should provide the pupils with certain musical experiences each year, so that there is necessarily some repetition in the yearly music report.

Each pupil should have the chance to experience a wide variety of pleasant musical activities with the hope that from these he may find something that will help enrich his life.

Singing provides an excellent means of self-expression. Helping a child find his singing voice is extremely important in the lower grades. Rote songs, singing games and action songs provide happy experiences for first and second graders. When a child reaches the point of reading readiness, he is provided with a song book. Modern music books contain a wealth of good singing material. Folk songs, religious and patriotic songs, and songs that can be used in correlation with other studies are included. Two-part singing is generally begun during the last part of the fourth grade, with three part singing beginning in the sixth grade.

Rhythms are another important means of self-expression. Clapping, walking, running, skipping, galloping, see-sawing and skating to music are a few examples of lower grade rhythmic activities. Rhythm band and dancing are included in the program. Folk and square dances are enjoyed by the pupils of the upper grades.

Work with tonettes, listening to records, learning the fundamentals of music and note reading are included in the music program each year.

In the fall new music books were purchased for the seventh grade and for the third grade.

The school is very fortunate in having Mr. Preble for a band instrument instructor. As of January first, 1958 there were twenty-six pupils receiving instructions. Of these, there were two in the third grade, twelve in the fourth grade, three in the fifth grade, eight in the sixth grade and three in the seventh grade. Three pupils were taking lessons on the drum, eleven on the clarinet, three on the cornet, four on the flute, one on the saxophone, two on the trumpet, one on the French horn and one on the baritone horn.

We are very grateful for our new stage, upon which a Christmas program was presented prior to the Christmas vacation. Much credit should be given to all the teachers for their hard work in helping to make this program a success.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Hoyt, the Stratham School Board, the Parent-Teacher's Association, the parents and the teachers for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,,

ELEANOR HENRY

Stratham, New Hampshire
January 24, 1958

SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The past year has been an average one in regard to the health of the Stratham school children. Because of the increase in the number of children throughout the Supervisory Union, health education has had to be curtailed in favor of the service end of the school health program. We hope that this part of the program, as well as an increase in service, will be available next year with the addition of an assistant nurse.

Ninety-eight per cent of all the children have received their third and final polio shots. Vision tests have been completed on most of the children.

Physical examinations were made on the pupils in grades 1, 3 and 6. This important service was sponsored by the P.T.A. with Dr. John Tuthill as the examining physician. Many minor physical conditions were found, the children were referred to their family physicians. Prior to this examination, each child was given a sugar and albumen test. Results of these tests showed two children who needed follow-up work and these were referred to their family doctors.

The completion of this year's health program will include:

1. Finishing vision tests.
2. Giving hearing tests.
3. Holding a clinic for booster shots for tetanics, diphtheria, and whooping cough.

Our sincere thanks to all the teachers for their help in our program; to the P.T.A. for its assistance; and

to the School Board for providing additional nursing assistance for the coming year. This assistance should pay off in dividends by protecting the health of the school children to a greater degree.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. SHEA, R.N.

School Nurse

Stratham, N. H.

January 27, 1958

SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Opens—September 3 (Wed.)		
School Closes—December 19 (Fri.)	75 days	16 weeks
School Opens—January 5 (Mon.)		
School Closes—February 20 (Fri.)	35 days	7 weeks
School Opens—March 2 (Mon.)		
School Closes—April 24 (Fri.)	40 days	8 weeks
School Opens—May 4 (Mon.)		
School Closes—June 17 (Wed.)	33 days	7 weeks
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	183 days	38 weeks

Holidays:

October 16 and 17—State Teachers' Convention

November 11 — Veterans Day

November 27 and 28 Thanksgiving Recess

School will be dismissed at noon on September 3 and
November 26.

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1956-1957

Exeter	\$3,252.20
East Kingston	184.00
Greenland	414.00
Kensington	202.40
Newfields	165.60
Stratham	381.80
State's Share	2,500.00
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	\$7,100.00

TABLE I
STRATHAM PUPILS
TOTAL ENROLLMENT JANUARY 1, 1958

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot.
Stratham Memorial	23	22	23	34	23	24	23	0	0	0	0	0	172
Exeter High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	23	12	11	12	74
Phillips Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
Totals	23	22	23	34	23	24	23	16	24	14	11	12	249
1957 Comparisons	19	21	27	21	19	23	15	27	14	11	14	14	225

TABLE II
STRATHAM SCHOOL
STATISTICS FOR TEN YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1957

School Year	Weeks	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Cases Tardiness	Visits of Supt.
1947-48	37	41	41	82	69.52	3.30	72.82	95.46	23	69
1948-49	37	41	43	84	67.06	6.44	73.50	91.02	28	86
1949-50	38	42	38	80	67.6	5.3	72.9	92.86	28	76
1950-51	38	53	40	93	73.0	5.2	78.2	93.33	42	74
1951-52	38	54	43	97	75.6	8.67	83.73	93.24	31	68
1952-53	38	59	57	116	86.41	5.90	92.31	93.68	61	80
1953-54	38	58	59	117	99.64	6.30	105.92	94.03	51	100
1954-55	38	60	74	134	115.2	6.9	122.1	94.30	40	77
1955-56	38	49	66	115	106.0	6.9	112.9	94.00	14	77
1956-57	38	66	75	141	124.4	6.3	131.2	94.5	49	95

TABLE III
STRATHAM SCHOOL
PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1956-57

Dorothy French

Marilyn French

Richard Gendron

Kenneth Genthner

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1957

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Names, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Jan. 21	Howard A. Stevens Ann L. Choquette	21 18	Stratham, N. H. Exeter, N. H.	Albert H. Stevens Helen S. Sewall Jean H. Coquette Eleanor Keller	Rev. Donald Morris Clergyman Exeter, N. H.
Apr. 6	Robert H. Cooke Cecile J. Daigle	44 40	Monticello, Me. Portland, Me.	Miles Cooke Helen S. Hoyt Deemase Daigle Agnes Cyr	Rev. Charles A. Parker Clergyman Stratham, N. H.
Apr. 27	Alphonse Arsenault Katherine Lach	38 38	Litchfield, Conn. Litchfield, Conn.	Arthur Arsenault Barbara LeBlanc John Lach Mary Rys	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
May 3	John Clafferty Irene Moles	27 31	Boston, Mass. Boston, Mass.	Edward Clafferty Bridget Doherty Thomas Smallcomb Irene McNally	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
May 11	Robert J. Cataldo Mary J. Wearbreski	34 33	Lynn, Mass. Lynn, Mass.	Angelo Cataldo Alberinda Deloya Stephen Wearbreski Nellie Padrazio	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
May 30	Donald H. Howcroft Nancy C. LaGrange	17 17	Newmarket, N. H. Newfields, N. H.	Donald Howcroft Elizabeth Nutting Clarence LaGrange Priscilla McDonough	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.

June 1	Edward S. Getek Janet A. Young	22 22	Providence, R. I.	Stanley Getek Sabrina Nevadumski Robert L. Young Ruth Conner Albion Tallman Claire Ryan Alex Marshall Mary Pava	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
June 16	Charles A. Tallman Irene Marshall	26 30	Boston, Mass. Boston, Mass.	John H. Beairsto Florence N. Pearton John W. Crowell Mildred W. Sprague	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
June 22	Robert C. Beairsto Dorothy J. Crowell	25 21	Stratham, N. H. Exeter, N. H.	Joseph LaJoie Emily Page Stephen Lovering Elizabeth Fickett	Rev. Marshall A. Budd Clergyman Stratham, N. H.
June 29	Edward E. LaJoie Sylvia B. White	66 68	Portland, Me. Portland, Me.	Andrew Tinker Irene Saenz George Dickinson Lorena M. Frye	Mary R. Tuck Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
Aug. 3	Monroe Tinker Dorothy E. Dickinson	21 13	New York, N. Y. Newmarket, N. H.	Lloyd Gilbert Ethel Stackpole Albert D. Caverno, Jr. Margaret L. McLane	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
Aug. 17	David L. Gilbert Nancy A. Caverno	21 18	Hampton, N. H. Stratham, N. H.	Ralph B. Seavey Esther J. Scott Daniel M. Davis Annie F. Shaw	Rev. Charles A. Parker Clergyman Stratham, N. H.
Aug. 24	George B. Seavey Betty A. Davis	21 18	No. Hampton, N. H. Stratham, N. H.	Edward Hunter Beatrice A. Pettigrew Stanwood A. Puffer Carolyn S. Taylor	Rev. H. Marshall Budd Clergyman Stratham, N. H.
Sept. 7	Eugene B. Hunter Pamela A. Puffer	21 17	Portsmouth, N. H. Stratham, N. H.		Rev. Charles A. Parker Clergyman Stratham, N. H.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1957

Date 1957	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Names, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Oct. 16	Harold H. Messina Rita M. LaMontague	43 40	Medford, Mass. Lawrence, Mass.	Fred Messina Helene C. Hanson Alfred Lemieux Annie Basiliere	Rev. Charles A. Parker Clergyman Stratham, N. H.
Oct. 26	Donald L. Rogers Carol J. Marston	24 18	Stratham, N. H. Stratham, N. H.	John H. Rogers Helen L. Staples Norman E. Marston Gertrude M. Durant	Rev. William S. Gooch Clergyman Exeter, N. H.
Nov. 23	Donald J. Webb Arlene C. Grant	20 18	New York, N. Y. Newmarket, N. H.	John H. Webb Jane E. Bovee Harold I. Grant Ethel R. Durant	Marian T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
Nov. 26	Walter C. Chessia Lorraine L. Morris		Bridgeport, Conn. Kittery, Me.	Walter Chessia Catherine Guerin Clifford M. Jenkins Louise M. Varney William A. Vye	Mary R. Tuck Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
Dec. 26	Albert H. Vye Gwendolyn G. White	42 36	Auburn, Me. Lisbon, Me.	Mary R. Roderick Elmer E. White Mable C. Coffin	Mary R. Tuck Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1957

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Living or Stillborn	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1957							
Jan. 6	Exeter N. H.	Ralph D. Scamman, J,	M	L	W	Ralph D. Scamman	Joan L. Hook
Jan. 15	Exeter N. H.	Carol Archambault	F	L	W	Arthur Archambault	Marie Colby
Mar. 2	Exeter N. H.	Brenda Richard	F	L	W	Edward Richard	Phyllis Bennett
Mar. 5	Exeter N. H.	Scott H. Wentworth	M	L	W	Forest P. Wentworth, Jr.	Marcia Chesley
Mar. 6	Portsmouth, N. H.	David R. Cole	M	L	W	Ronald A. Cole	Anita L. Cramer
Mar. 6	Portsmouth, N. H.	Donna M. Cole	F	L	W	Ronald A. Cole	Anita L. Cramer
Apr. 5	Exeter N. H.	Nancy E. French	F	L	W	Stanley G. French	Ruth A. Rye
June 12	Exeter N. H.	Bonnie L. DesRoches	F	L	W	Norman DesRoches	June M. Dubois
June 28	Exeter N. H.	Richard J. Zwiercan	M	L	W	Joseph J. Zwiercan	Elenora Pino
July 7	Exeter N. H.	Jack I. Morrill	M	L	W	Daniel Morrill	Christine Lizotte
July 7	Exeter N. H.	Susan B. Peirce	F	L	W	James B. Peirce	Margaret Power
July 8	Peterboro, N. H.	George W. Carr, Jr.	M	L	W	George W. Carr	Donna M. Gordon
Aug. 3	Portsmouth, N. H.	Laurice A. Langelier	M	L	W	Valmore K. Langelier	Madelene Fairfield
Aug. 8	Exeter N. H.	Robert K. Rainey, Jr.	M	L	W	Robert K. Rainey	Marion Presley
Aug. 10	Exeter N. H.	Debra A. Ramsdell	F	L	W	Richard Ramsdell	Anita Wentworth
Aug. 22	Portsmouth, N. H.	Lori Joe Ridlon	F	L	W	Roger W. Ridlon	Sally A. Clark
Aug. 25	Exeter N. H.	Eugene A. Barker	M	L	W	Carl W. Barker, Jr.	Grace L. Hayden
Aug. 26	Exeter N. H.	John C. Preston	M	L	W	William F. Preston	Phyllis Palumbo
Aug. 27	Exeter N. H.	John P. Gunter, Jr.	M	L	W	John P. Gunter	Sandra Moss
Sept. 27	Exeter N. H.	Thomas Bacon	M	L	W	Theodore Bacon	Jacqueline Hill
Sept. 28	York, Maine	Kevin W. Wiggin	M	L	W	Earl Wiggin, Jr.	Joan Wardwell
Oct. 16	Exeter N. H.	Richard R. Jette	M	L	W	John V. Jette	Jane Granton
Nov. 10	Exeter N. H.	Robert Haberland	M	L	W	Robert O. Haberland	Elaine R. Clements
Nov. 15	Exeter N. H.	Peter Laviolette	M	L	W	Edward Laviolette	Marguerite Courtney
Dec. 27	Exeter N. H.	Susan M. Rooney	F	L	W	Robert Rooney	Marion Dow

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1957

Date 1957	Name and Surname of Deceased	Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 25	Jane Fitzgerald	72			Canada	Francis Blanchandin	Clemence Daguerre
Feb. 21	Hattie J. Lord	79			Stratham, N. H.	Daniel Wiggan	Delia Leavitt
Apr. 2	Morrill P. Runnells	66			Concord, N. H.	Everett Runnells	Clara Potter
Apr. 20	John E. Chase	80			Stratham, N. H.	Emmons B. Chase	Mary A. Brown
Apr. 25	Charles F. Giles	84			Maine	Charles Giles	Julia —
May 31	Emma F. Cushman	91			Charlestown, Mass.	Edwin Barrett	Ellen Tuttle
June 5	Alice A. Rawding	78			Wayne, Maine	Wesley F. Adams	Mary E. Miller
June 16	R. Winthrop Pike	56			Epping, N. H.	Albert Pike	Margaret Van Kueren
June 25	Nancy A. Rooney		8		Portsmouth, N. H.	Robert G. Rooney	Marian Dow
Oct. 10	Grace A. Wiggan	87			Stratham, N. H.	Isaac Wiggan	Caroline Lane
Oct. 11	Marshall S. Chase	77			Stratham, N. H.	Emmons B. Chase	Mary A. Brown
Oct. 27	Raymond Sturtevant	71			Montpelier, Vermont	Mortimer Sturtevant	Betsey —
Oct. 31	Etta H. Berry	73			Haverhill, Mass.	George F. Hicks	Mary Bond
Nov. 13	Martha K. Phillips	87			Rome, New York	Alexander Keefe	Mary Parks
Dec. 12	Pearl I. Stebbins	70			Polaski, New York	Morgan Ingraham	Jennie Patrick
Dec. 30	Edwin Silver	88			Hanover, Maine	Charles W. Silver	Nellie Chadbourne

